

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Michael A. Tainsky, et al.

RCE application of Serial No.: 10/004,587

Filed: 12/04/2001

For: NEOEPITOPE DETECTION OF DISEASE USING PROTEIN ARRAYS

Attorney Docket No.: 0788.00063

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop: RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2007, Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20070731. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Granting the petition would extend the time for filing the Response to February 9, 2008. The appropriate petition fee of \$560.00 is enclosed herewith. Please amend the above-captioned application prior to consideration of the application on the merits. Please amend the application as indicated below, consistent with the instructions found attached hereto: